

Title:	Report on the Expenditure of the Welland and Burlington Canals, 1830		
Creator:	Thomas Horner		
Dates of Material:	1830	Record Group Number:	RG 463
Summary of Contents:	<p>One 8 page double sided report from a committee which was appointed to inquire into the management and expenditure of the Welland and Burlington Canals.</p> <p>This copy is signed in the upper left hand corner by Mr. Dickson. Mr. Robert Dickson was one of the directors of the Welland Canal Office. The report covers meetings which were held: January 15-16, and 19 of 1830. The meetings were attended by Messrs. Blacklock, Mackenzie, Woodruff, Longley and Hopkins. Balance sheets are also included within the report.</p> <p>The report of the Welland Canal Company for 1829 is also included within this document, and this is dated December 31, 1829. Names at the end of the 1829 report are members of the Welland Canal Office and they include: John Henry Dunn, president; Henry J. Boulton, vice-president and William Allan, George Keefer, John J. Lefferty and Robert Dickson who were directors</p> <p>The report is dated January 26, 1830, and submitted by Thomas Horner, chairman of the Commons House of Assembly.</p>		
Physical Description / Condition:	<p>This document is 25 cm. x 42 cm. It has some marking from moisture and the entire document is yellowed. There is a section missing from the left hand margin which includes some of the binding.</p>		
Other Notes:	<p>Thomas Horner (also spelled Hornor) was born in 1767 in Burlington County, New Jersey. He was raised in a family of Quakers. Horner was educated at the College of New Jersey (now Princeton University). In 1794, Horner and his cousin, Thomas Watson Jr. brought 20 settlers to Watson's (later called Blenheim) Township in Upper Canada. Horner constructed a sawmill on lot 15, concession 1. Horner received 600 acres in Blenheim.</p> <p>He served as a senior warden in a Masonic Lodge and he was a captain in the Norfolk Militia. Horner became the justice of the peace, commissioner of the Court of King's Bench, registrar for Oxford and Middlesex counties and commissioner for administering the oath of allegiance to persons claiming possession of lands in the district. He was appointed in June 1806, as deputy in militia matters.</p> <p>In 1820 Horner was elected to the Legislative Assembly of Upper Canada. He</p>		

	<p>was reelected in 1824 and 1828. He was defeated in 1830 but elected again in 1832 when the previous incumbent died. Horner died in Burford Township in 1834 during a cholera epidemic.</p> <p>Source: http://www.biographi.ca/en/bio/hornor_thomas_6E.html</p> <p>The Burlington Canal opened in 1826. The canal provides Burlington Bay (Hamilton Harbour) with access to the Atlantic Ocean.</p> <p>The Welland Canal extends 42 km. from Port Weller, on Lake Ontario to Port Colborne, on Lake Erie. The canal is part of the St. Lawrence Seaway. It enables ships to bypass Niagara Falls and to ascend and descend the Niagara Escarpment through a series of locks.</p>		
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